

CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2002 AT 5 P.M.

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER

111 NW FIRST STREET

MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

18TH FLOOR -- ROOM 4 (18-4)

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

II. MINUTES:

-June 26, 2002

III. WELCOME NEW CTAC MEMBERS

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MIN EACH)

V. INFORMATION ITEMS (10 MIN EACH)

A. ADOPTED BCC ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS
RELATED TO THE TRANSIT SURTAX AND TRUST
(DISCUSSION)

B. SOUTH DADE BUSWAY UPDATE: SEGMENTS I AND II

C. REAL-TIME TRAFFIC INFORMATION VIA TELEPHONE:
511

**VI. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE
(15 MIN)**

VII. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT (5 MIN)

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS: (2 MIN - EACH)

A. Transportation Planning Council: Mike Hatcher
B. North Corridor BRT: Emma Pringle

**IX. OTHER ITEMS - PENDING BUSINESS (2 MIN -
EACH)**

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE(S)

A. Combined Subcommittee 08/14/02

B. Full CTAC Meeting: 08/28/02

C. MPO Governing Board 09/26/02

D. TPTAC 09/04/02

E. Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Comm.: 08/28/02

F. Transportation Planning Council: 09/09/02

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coordinating the above committees, please contact Clinton Forbes (305) 375-4507**

XII.

ADJOURNMENT -- 6:30 PM

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INTERPRETER OR OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS, PLEASE CALL (305) 375-4507 AT
LEAST FIVE DAYS IN ADVANCE**

**NOTES OF ACTION FROM
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CTAC Members in Attendance	
Rolando Acosta	Miles Moss
Jose de Almagro	Mario Nuevo
Daniel Fils-Aime	Emma Pringle
Willie Duckworth	Ramon Ramos
Maurice Gan	Bernard Superstein
Mac Glasgow	Lee Swerdlin
Mike Hatcher	Alfredfo Vega
Frank Hernandez	Norman Wartman
Ramon Irigoyen	John Westbrook
Christopher Morton	Naomi Wright
Others in Attendance on this issue	
Dave Barlett, Keyes	
Wilson Fernandez, CMO	
Clinton Forbes, MPO	
Sandy O'Neil, MO	

Mr. Forbes, MPO, introduced the item on the agenda related to the adopted Board of County Commissioners ordinances and resolution related to the Transit Surtax and Trust.

Discussion ensued on the issue of the Ordinance levying one-half of one percent surtax for transit. Mario Nuevo, CTAC Member, noted that several pages were missing in the ordinance copied with the agenda package. Mr. Forbes explained that this could have occurred during reproduction of the agenda package. Mr. Forbes committed to mailing each member a complete package.

As it pertains to the ordinance levying the tax, many members expressed grave concern about the commitment to provide 20% of the total surtax revenues for municipal improvements. Some CTAC members expressed that they were not privy to this amendment before the Board adopted the ordinance. Further, select members commented that transportation funding; planning, projects, and programming for the tax revenue should be under the umbrella of county government.

There was also confusion regarding Exhibit 1 "Municipal Improvements" where it states: "The cities will dedicate 20% of their surtax funds to transit purposes." Many members felt that there was not implicit language as to how the remaining 80% would be used by the municipalities, albeit, it was assumed by some that these dollars would have to be allocated to transportation improvements.

After a lengthy debate, Norman Wartman introduced the following motion:

Resolution withdrawing CTAC's support of the adopted Ordinance 02-116 levying one-half of one percent surtax for transit and formally opposing the ordinance due to the amendments related to the 20% allocation for municipal improvements and the weakening of the Citizens Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) powers in respect to the lack of oversight of municipal projects and expenditures

This motion was moved by Mr. Wartman and seconded by John Westbrook.

There was a request for a friendly amendment proffered by Lee Swerdlin. Mr. Swerdlin moved that should the Board of County Commissioners not reverse their position on the ordinance as it pertains to the municipal improvement allocation, that the CTAC would oppose the half-cent proposition publicly and in Washington. **This amendment was not recognized as being friendly by the maker of the main motion and died for a lack of a second.**

The Chair opened the floor for discussion on the main motion:

While many members supported the main motion, there was consensus among members that the appropriate county representatives should be given the opportunity to respond and clarify issues raised by CTAC. **In light of this, Miles Moss moved to table the motion and recess the meeting until August 7, 2002.** This motion was seconded by Daniel Fils-Aime, and upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.